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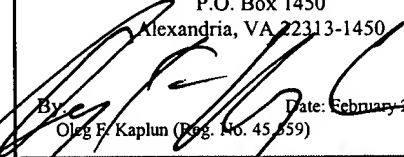
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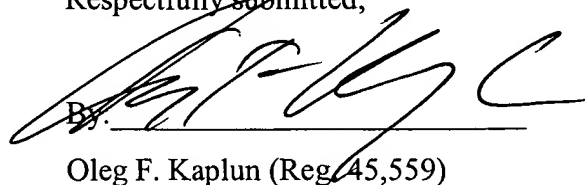
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Transmitted herewith please find an Amendment under Rule 116 in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 30, 2005 along with one (1) sheet of Replacement Drawing for filing in the above-identified application. Since the Amendment is being filed within two months of the Final Office Action mailing date, Applicants respectfully request that the USPTO's response be issued before the expiration of the three month period of the Final Office Action mailing date (i.e., by March 30, 2005). No fees are believed to be required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional required fees to the Deposit Account of **Fay Kaplun & Marcin, LLP No. 50-1492**. A copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

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In response to the final Office Action mailed December 30, 2005, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks: